

SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD

UNADOPTED MINUTES  
May 16, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, in the Back-Half of the Cafeteria, Room 1405A, located at Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, California 94534, by Board President Rosemary Thurston.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Board President Thurston requested that Ms. Kayla Salazar, student and former Governing Board student representative, lead those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO STUDENT TRUSTEE FOR 2012/2013

Board President Thurston administered the oath of office to Kayla Salazar, newly elected Interim Student Trustee for 2012-2013. With the authority granted to Board President Thurston by the Constitution of the State of California, Kayla Salazar was proclaimed as duly appointed and installed to assume the duties as Student Trustee of the Solano Community College Governing Board until the next ASSC student election can be held.

4. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rosemary Thurston, President  
Sarah Chapman, Vice President  
Denis Honeychurch, J.D.  
Pam Keith  
Phil McCaffrey\*  
Catherine M. Ritch  
A. Marie Young  
Kayla Salazar, Student Trustee  
Jowel C. Laguerre, Ph.D., Secretary

Members Absent:

None

*\*Arrived after roll call.*

Others Present:

Peter F. Bostic, Executive Director, Institutional Advancement  
J. Arturo Reyes, Executive Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs  
Yulian Ligioso, Vice President, Finance and Administration  
Judy Spencer, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent-President and Governing Board

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, made the following specific correction to Item 11.(d), Pages 53, 57, 61, 65, and 69; Resolutions No. 11/12-36; 11/12-37; 11/12-38; 11/12-39; and 11/12-40 respectively, as follows: Lines 8-11 should read BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the employer's contribution for each annuitant under this vesting resolution shall be the amount necessary to pay the cost of his enrollment, including the enrollment of his family members, in a health benefits plan up to a *maximum of GC 22892 per month.*

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Vice President Chapman to approve the Agenda as corrected. The motion carried unanimously.

6. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Board President Thurston recognized Dr. Betsy Julian, Dean of the School of Sciences, who requested to comment on Professor George Daugavietis' retirement. Dr. Julian's comments were deferred to later on the agenda.

Board President Thurston recognized Alec Wiley and Tabitha Angier, students in English 58, who requested to comment on the *Suisun Valley Review*.

Mr. Wiley and Ms. Angier distributed the *2012 Suisun Valley Review* magazine to the Board, a product of English 58, the Literary Magazine established in 1981 for the students of Solano Community College. The magazine will be discussed May 18 at 2 p.m., in the Library. Talks from the various authors will be heard; readings will be given, and an opportunity will be available for sales of the magazine. The Board was invited to attend.

Board President Thurston recognized Ms. Yvonne Hesseltine, Mr. William Adorno, and Ms. Marina Nitsche, who requested to comment on their experiences in their Adaptive PE classes. All three testified to the benefits of this class to them personally, not to mention the benefit to the community. Each student urged the Board to take a second look before eliminating the class and to please support them in their desire to keep Adaptive PE.

Board President Thurston recognized the following members from the public who requested to comment on Item 11.(f), Termination of Contract between Solano College and the Solano College Theater Association (SCT): Mr. Jonathan E. Brezinski, Mr. Bobby Ellison, Ms. Barbara Bandy, Ms. Princess Washington; Ms. Pam Spering, Ms. Tiffany Rice, Mr. Stephen Ng, Mr. Jon Tracy; Mr. Chris Guptill, Mr. Michael Simons, Mr. Zachary Scovel, Ms. Joan Gaut; Mr. Charles Kingeter, Ms. Rebekah Vega, and Ms. Jennifer Bristow.

The above students, former students and alumni; business owners, patrons of the arts, original forming board member for the SCT Association, and staff all attested to the value and need for maintaining the SCT Association. All attested to its merit and value for students and the community at large and encouraged the Board to re-evaluate the decision to terminate the contract that is being proposed.

Board President Thurston thanked each member of the public for their comments and for expressing their passions, stating further their comments were heard and appreciated by the members of the Board.

7. REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED):

(a) Associated Students of Solano College (ASSC)

There was no report from the ASSC.

(b) Academic Senate

Former Academic Senate President Thom Watkins addressed the Board and thanked them for all the support they gave to the Senate and to him personally. Professor Watkins thanked the Board for their caring attitude towards students and faculty and for keeping the best interest of the College uppermost in their decision-making processes. In appreciation, Professor Watkins gifted each Board member with a single rose.

Professor Watkins introduced Dr. Susanna Gunther, the newly elected Academic Senate President, and presented her the gavel and a new brief case inscribed with her name and title. Dr. Gunther thanked Professor Watkins for his thoughtfulness and advised she would be prepared to report to the Board at the next meeting. There was applause from those present in the audience.

Board President Thurston thanked Thom for his service.

(c) Shared Governance Council

There was no report from the Shared Governance Council.

(d) Superintendent

- Business Education Statewide Advisory Committee's (BESAC's) 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Award

*Facilitated by Professors Carl Ogden, Adjunct Business; Debra Berrett, Occupational Education, and Charles Eason, Director, Solano Small Business Development Center*

Dr. Laguerre reported that Ms. Tiffany McIntyre, Mr. Troy Finley and Mr. Joseph Zapantis were part of a group that went to San Diego representing Solano College in business education and the

importance of entrepreneurialship, persons who organize and manage any enterprise, especially in business, usually with considerable initiative and risk. Professor Carl Ogden reported on what businesses want from students coming out of community colleges, i.e., people who can think independently, graduate, and are willing to take the time to succeed. These individuals balance us out as people. It was noted that the arts help contribute to these successes as well, giving people an opportunity to be creative and pass on the legacy to future generations.

- Presentation to SCC Educational Foundation from African-American Staff of 70's and 80's

*Facilitated by Retired Faculty Member, Professor Dr. Ella Tolliver*

Dr. Laguerre introduced Dr. Ella Tolliver, retired SCC Counselor and former Dean, who took the opportunity to give a little background on a very active African-American Association formed in the 70's and 80's that was recognized by the campus and the community for their outreach programs. Because of active fundraising during that time, it was with much pleasure that Dr. Tolliver presented to the Solano Community College Educational Foundation a check in the amount of \$15,754.90, with the earmark that these funds will continue to assist students and serve as legacy of what a committed and empowered staff can do to make a difference to further the mission of the College and benefit students.

Mr. Peter Bostic, Executive Director of Institutional Advancement, thanked Dr. Tolliver and the many individuals who were active in the African-American Association in the 70's and 80's, and accepted the gift on behalf of the Educational Foundation, assuring her that students would continue to benefit from this donation for many years to come.

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS

### Superintendent-President

- (a) Minutes for the Board Study Session of May 2, 2012, will be approved at a future meeting.

### Human Resources

- (b) Employment – 2011-2012; Renewal of Faculty Contract; Gratuitous Service; Summer 2012 Four Day, Ten Hour Work Schedule; Resignation; Employment 2012-2013

### Finance and Administration

- (c) Personal Services Agreements

- (d) Warrant Listings

### Academic and Student Affairs

- (e) Education and Training Program for the Travis Firefighters

- (f) Agreement for Educational Services Between Solano Community College District and Bay Area Clean Water Agencies
- (g) Small Business Administration (SBA) Small Business Jobs Act Funding for Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
- (h) Renewal of Small Business Administration Funding for Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
- (i) Grant Agreement Between the County of Solano on Behalf of the First 5 Commission and Solano Community College on Behalf of the Children’s Programs
- (j) 2011-2012 Amended Local Agreement for Child Development Training Consortium 11-12-2502
- (k) Request for Approval of Curriculum Actions as Submitted by the Curriculum Committee, a Subcommittee of the Academic Senate

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

10. RETIREMENTS OF STAFF WITH 10 OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE

Dr. Jowel Laguerre stated it is an honor to recognize the following three distinguished faculty members who have served the District with ten or more years of service and who are leaving behind a legacy to the College.

- (a) Resolution Honoring George Daugavietis

Dr. Jowel Laguerre stated that Professor George Daugavietis has served the Solano Community College District with distinction since 1989 when he began working as a Math Adjunct Instructor. Professor Daugavietis was hired full time as a Math Professor on August 14, 2002, and will retire from his current position from the School of Sciences after 10 years of faithful service, effective May 23, 2012.

Professor Danielle Widemann, Geography/Geology Instructor, honored Professor Daugavietis by speaking on his behalf. Professor Widemann began by stating that the recent movie, The Avengers, grossed over \$1M, evidence that we need real heroes—the ones with the power to stop crime. But the real heroes have to work at doing their part day by day without a cape and with diligence. “Professor Daugavietis is my mentor,” she said, “who teaches with vigor and care and an eclectic background mastered in Math and Geography. Professor Widemann stated

that George’s small and large contributions have impacted all of us, as well as our future students. Life will be different without him around. “Thank you...George, you rock!” “You are Solano College and a college hero, and you make the world a better place.”

*Trustee McCaffrey arrived at 7:40 p.m.*

Dr. Laguerre read the following excerpt from Professor Daugavietis’ resolution:

*Whereas, George Daugavietis was the first to begin Math instruction in hybrid and online formats; and the first to teach a Physical Geography lab course and created the first California Geography course;*

*Whereas, George Daugavietis “played” Santa Claus at campus-wide Holiday parties;*

*Whereas, George Daugavietis’ support of Solano Community College programs and activities has always been enthusiastic and has earned him the respect of the community, the College staff, faculty, and students; now, therefore be it*

*Resolved, That George Daugavietis will be sorely missed, and the Governing Board expresses its sincere appreciation for his many contributions and extends their best wishes in his well-deserved retirement and future endeavors.*

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to approve the resolution honoring George Daugavietis’ retirement, effective May 23, 2012. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Ritch, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman,  
Trustee Young, Trustee McCaffrey, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

Professor Daugavietis thanked the Board and the hiring committee for his initial employment with the College. George stated how much he has enjoyed the college experience, but advised he was not originally a college instructor by vocation, but rather an instructor in the U.S. Air Force where he spent 20 years teaching men and women how to fly airplanes. George commented that individuals can do great things, but organizations like Solano Community College do greater things by groups of people. George stated that Dizzy Dean baseball great was asked if he was the greatest pitcher in baseball, and he responded that he was not the greatest pitcher in baseball, but that he was among them. George concluded by saying, “And I was among you.”

There was congratulatory applause from those present in the audience.

(b) Resolution Honoring Gail Kropp

Dr. Jowel Laguerre stated that Professor Gail Kropp has served the Solano Community College District with distinction since 1975 when she began teaching as an Adjunct Instructor, and was hired full-time as the Foreign Language Instructor August 30, 1976. Ms. Kropp retires from the School of Liberal Arts after 36 years of faithful service in German, Humanities, and English classrooms, effective May 23, 2012.

Dr. Jeff Lamb, Interim Dean of the School of Liberal Arts, honored Ms. Kropp by stating it was his distinct pleasure to have followed her as the Academic Senate President. She was generous with her time and quick to guide him as he and the Senate went through some challenging times. Gail worked in establishing international programs for students that traveled internationally. She worked to establish collaboration between local high schools and the College to share best practices of foreign language instruction. As a new Dean, it has been a pleasure to work with faculty, and especially with faculty like Gail who have given great service to the College in so many ways.

Dr. Laguerre read the following excerpt from Professor Kropp's resolution:

*Whereas, Gail Kropp coordinated with her colleague Susan Linz the International Exchange Program of Foothill College for Solano Community College students in French and German (1991-1999), and helped create the Academic Partnership in Foreign Language between Solano and Napa Counties (1986-1999);*

*Whereas, Gail Kropp has at all times been an ambassador for Solano Community College in the community and an advocate for the community college system; and*

*Whereas, Gail Kropp's dedication and commitment to Solano Community College has earned the respect of the community, the College staff, faculty, and students; now therefore be it*

*Resolved, That Gail Kropp's service to Solano Community College District represents a true measure of integrity and dedication to education that leaves a legacy for all to model.*

Moved by Trustee McCaffrey and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the resolution honoring Gail Kropp's retirement, effective May 23, 2012. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Young, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

(c) Resolution Honoring Jeanette McCarthy

Dr. Jowel Laguerre stated that Professor Jeanette McCarthy has served the Solano Community College District with distinction since 1987 when she began working as an Office Technology Adjunct Instructor. Professor McCarthy was hired as a full-time Office Technology and Computer Information Science Instructor on August 16, 2000, and retires from the School of Career Technical Education and Business after 12 years of faithful service, effective May 23, 2012.

Dean Máire Morinec, School of Career Technical Education and Business, was pleased to speak on behalf of Professor McCarthy, having had the distinction of serving as her Dean for the last year. “When I became her Dean,” she said, “we discussed whether or not we wanted to see the view from the top or take a nap along the way.” Professor McCarthy has learned to seek the truth and find a logical explanation on why we do what we do which has caused her some frustration over the years. She is passionate when it comes to Career Technical Education (CTE) and it became clear to Dean Morinec early on how passionate and caring Professor McCarthy is for her students. She wants them to succeed. She formed a lending library in her OT classroom for students who lack funds and resources for textbooks. While the view from the top is not without splinters, her experiences have made her be a better person. Jeanette leaves the College in a better place for students to succeed. “She has helped make me a better person as well.”

Barbara Fountain, Director of Admissions and Records, honored Ms. McCarthy’s retirement by saying how interesting it has been to work with Jeanette over the last ten years having been pushed by her, which she hated, but at times when she needed to be pushed. “We are indeed fortunate to have had an instructor who digs deeper than most, which is an important quality.” Director Fountain thanked Jeanette for promoting this kind of behavior and stated how much she is going to be missed and how grateful she is for the time they shared together.

Dr. Laguerre read the following excerpt from Professor McCarthy’s resolution:

*Whereas, Jeanette McCarthy was especially dedicated to helping special population students succeed;*

*Whereas, Jeanette McCarthy’s support of Solano College programs, students, and activities has always been enthusiastic and dedicated to student success.*

Dr. Laguerre commented that he feels he is a better President because of his relationship with Professor McCarthy. He thanked Jeanette for all that she has done.

Board President Thurston stated that Professor McCarthy took her place and brought passion to the classroom when she (Trustee Thurston) retired. Professor McCarthy is an outstanding professional educator who brought her work experience in industry into the classroom so that all lessons were meaningful and real. Her caring attitude for the students and passion for teaching has made her an outstanding asset for Solano Community College and she will be greatly missed.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to approve the resolution honoring Jeanette McCarthy's retirement, effective May 23, 2012. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, Trustee Young, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

Professor Jeanette McCarthy began teaching at a 6<sup>th</sup> grade education camp and became absolutely hooked on teaching, at which time she went back to school at Cal Poly's special teaching center. It was an experimental group with studies surrounding all kinds of learning theories and practicum in the field of learning. Professor McCarthy stated she has been very fortunate all along the way that she never met a student she didn't like and found early on her job was to make sure she provided all students with as much information as possible. Throughout her career she has been fortunate to have had outstanding mentors and appreciated all who offered help, and is happy to have ended her career with a good working relationship with her Dean.

Board President Thurston extended best wishes to each faculty member for a well-deserved retirement, with sincere thanks for their many contributions to Solano Community College.

There was congratulatory applause from all those present in the audience,

#### 11. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – ACTION ITEMS

##### Superintendent-President

##### (a) Resolution Honoring Anamaria Eljach, Student Trustee

Jowel C. Laguerre, Ph.D., Superintendent-President presented the resolution honoring Anamaria Eljach, Student Trustee, who began serving the District in January 2012 through May 2012, and read an excerpt from her resolution as follows:

*Whereas, Anamaria Eljach has overcome numerous barriers to pursue higher education.*

Ms. Eljach began working in the hospitality industry in Florida, but ended up here at Solano College where her life changed. She also affected change in students' lives here on campus. Ms. Eljach has been accepted at U.C. Davis where she will be pursuing a degree in the medical profession. She has been one of the best examples of a student and Student Trustee, and I personally thank her for that. We wish her well in all her future endeavors.

Ms. Eljach thanked the Board for always making her feel comfortable and extended sincere thanks to students, faculty, and staff for their support. She stated how proud she has been to serve in the capacity as Student Trustee to represent the voice of students.

Former Academic Senate President Watkins gifted Ms. Eljach with a single rose in appreciation for her service to students and the Board.

Moved by Trustee McCaffrey and seconded by Trustee Young to approve the resolution honoring Anamaria Eljach, Student Trustee, as presented. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Vice President Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, Trustee Young, Trustee Keith, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

(b) Specifications of the Election Order for a Consolidated Board Member Election (Solano County and Yolo County), Resolution No. 11/12-34

Dr. Jowel C. Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the Specifications of the Election Order for a Consolidated Board Member Election (Solano County and Yolo County), Resolution No. 11/12-34.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 1302 and Education Code Section 5000, the Governing Board of SCCD is required to adopt a resolution stating that an election is ordered for November 6, 2012, for the purpose of electing persons to fill the office of three members for a four-year term to the office of community college trustee. The city of Winters, which is located in Yolo County, is part of Trustee Area No. 7. This election shall be consolidated with the election to be held on November 6, 2012.

Governing Board members whose terms expire in 2012 are:

Trustee **Area No. 3:** Rosemary Thurston  
Trustee **Area No. 5:** Catherine M. Ritch  
Trustee **Area No. 7:** Philip McCaffrey  
(Includes part of Yolo County)

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve and adopt the Specifications of the Election Order for a Consolidated Board Member Election (Solano County and Yolo County), Resolution No. 11/12-34, as presented. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, Trustee Young, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

- (c) Resolution Electing to be Subject to Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act Only with Respect to Members of a Specific Employee Organization and Fixing the Employer’s Contribution for Employees and the Employer Contribution for Annuitants at Different Amounts, Resolution No. 11/12-35

Dr. Jowel C. Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the Resolution Electing to be Subject to Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act Only with Respect to Members of a Specific Employee Organization and Fixing the Employer’s Contribution for Employees and the Employer Contribution for Annuitants at Different Amounts, Resolution No. 11/12-35.

Solano Community College, like many California Community Colleges, faces tremendous financial challenges in light of the state budget. In order to find ways to cope with increasing costs and diminishing revenues, the college and its employees are working together to cut the cost of healthcare and use the savings to make Solano Community financial basis more solid and enhance educational opportunities for our students and the community.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Chapman to adopt the Resolution Electing to be Subject to Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act Only with Respect to Members of a Specific Employee Organization and Fixing the Employer’s Contribution for Employees and the Employer Contribution for Annuitants at Different Amounts, Resolution No. 11/12-35, for the members of International Union of Operating Engineers/Stationary Engineers, Local 39, as presented. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, Trustee Young, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

Human Resources

- (d) Resolutions Electing to Establish a Health Benefit Vesting Requirement for Future Retirees Under the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act, Resolution No. 11/12-36; Resolution No. 11/12-37; Resolution No. 11/12-38; Resolution No. 11/12-39, and Resolution No. 11/12-40

Charo Albarran, Human Resources Manager, proposed the Resolutions Electing to Establish a Health Benefit Vesting Requirement for Future Retirees Under the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act, Resolution No. 11/12-36 (SCCD Governing Board); Resolution No. 11/12-37 (SCFA); Resolution No. 11/12-38 (CSEA); Resolution No. 11/12-39 (ALG), and Resolution No. 11/12-40 (Operating Engineers, Local 39) [as corrected].

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Ritch to adopt the Resolutions Electing to Establish a Health Benefit Vesting Requirement for Future Retirees Under the Public

Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act, Resolution No. 11/12-36; Resolution No. 11/12-37; Resolution No. 11/12-38; Resolution No. 11/12-39, and Resolution No. 11/12-40, as previously corrected. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Ritch, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman,  
Trustee Young, Trustee McCaffrey, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

Trustee Ritch asked a clarifying question, stating there are three sections (a, b, and c) to Government Code 22892, and if Dr. Laguerre knew which section was applicable. Dr. Laguerre affirmed that section c applies to the Resolution.

Moved by Trustee Ritch and seconded by Trustee Keith to amend the motion to adopt the Resolutions Electing to Establish a Health Benefit Vesting Requirement for Future Retirees Under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act, Resolution No. 11/12-36; Resolution No. 11/12-37; Resolution No. 11/12-38; Resolution No. 11/12-39, and Resolution No. 11/12-40, per Government Code 22892(c). The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Kayla Salazar concurred.

AYES – Trustee Young, Trustee Keith, Vice President Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch,  
Trustee McCaffrey, Trustee Ritch, and Board President Thurston

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

(e) District and the Solano Community College Faculty Association, Agreement for a Successor Agreement, July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the District and the Solano Community College Faculty Association, Agreement for a Successor Agreement, July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015. Dr. Laguerre thanked the faculty for being supportive and helpful in getting all concerned to agree to and finalize this agreement.

Moved by Vice President Chapman and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to approve and adopt the District and the Solano Community College Faculty Association, Agreement for a Successor Agreement, July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Chapman expressed thanks and appreciation to the faculty for the work they did in finalizing this agreement. As a long-time resident of Solano County, she stated how aware she has been of the history of negotiations at Solano College. Listening to faculty, staff, and the community stand up before the Board to express their willingness to make suggestions on what to do to alleviate some of the stress on the College when it comes to money has been a wonderful experience. Vice President Chapman stated she believes this is the first time a contract has been

negotiated and settled this early in the season, which says a lot about “the Solano family” and College and expressed again her gratitude to all concerned.

*Finance and Administration*

(f) Termination of Contract Between Solano College and the Solano College Theater Association

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to postpone action on 11.(f). Trustee Honeychurch stated the basis for this motion is that in terms of protocol and following procedure, the normal process has been to present an item of this magnitude for information and action is taken at a subsequent meeting. Trustee Honeychurch stated he feels more information is needed before making a decision, which will give the SCT time to investigate other possible alternatives. Trustee McCaffrey wholeheartedly agreed with Trustee Honeychurch’s concerns. No vote was taken on the motion.

Dr. Jowel Laguerre stated that due to a lack of funding it is necessary for the District to eliminate the approximate \$750,000 annual investment into the Solano College Theater Association (SCTA) that runs our theater productions. While this arrangement has been in place for many years and SCTA, a separate non-profit foundation, has produced terrific performances for the College and the community, the continued revenue reductions from the state show that the College’s resources are not sufficient enough to continue to subsidize the College Theater Association at that level. Instead, the College will allocate \$100,000 to run the theater for the coming year refocusing the program to be a faculty run program with opportunities for students to engage in hands-on-experience in stagecraft, costume designs, and other aspects of theater arts. Our new approach will allow greater faculty and student participation and encourage partnerships with dance, music, theatre; poetry, choir, marketing, and other disciplines within the College.

Trustee Ritch stated that a \$750,000 annual investment into the Solano College Theater Association (SCTA) that runs our theater productions eventually runs into millions of dollars over the years. We have cut the football and summer school programs, asked retirees and employees to take cuts in their health care, and we have reduced course offerings. Trustee Ritch stated that this is one more area where cuts are warranted and the sooner the better—not later than July 1.

As someone who is supportive of the arts, Trustee Ritch continued by commenting she has been involved in both high school and college theatre productions. It isn’t that the arts are not important, but rather no longer affordable in these tough budget times.

Trustee Young stated, according to a state mandate that she reported on at a previous meeting regarding how community colleges are encouraged to offer Basic Skills, Transfer and CTE courses, we have been informed of another \$8B that may be cut out of the state budget, which will have a trickle down effect on the College. Trustee Young stated she will vote to terminate the contract with SCTA, but will rescind her vote if funding becomes available to support the program.

Trustee Honeychurch stated his vote is not on the merits of the recommendation, but rather on the timing and recommendation that more thought be given to options that may exist. While he appreciates Trustees Ritch and Young's opposition, he believes the item deserves more thought and consideration.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to amend their original motion to postpone action on 11.(f), Termination of Contract Between Solano College and the Solano College Theater Association, until June 20, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

There was a standing ovation and applause from those present in the audience.

Dr. Laguerre stated that the District waited to see if the state budget would improve, but alas it has not. The state deficit has grown to \$16B, and Solano College stands to lose our fair share. Our only saving grace is if the tax measure passes in November, which will give us relief. We cannot plan on the measure passing as it may be too late to respond if it does not. The only places left for cutting are classes. We can delay budget cutting measures, but we all must realize there are not that many places left to cut without affecting how we serve students. Dr. Laguerre stated he is looking forward to good ideas coming forward from faculty, staff, and the community at large. This item will return to the Board for information June 6 and for approval June 20, 2012.

(g) Change Order No. 01 to DL Falk Construction Contract for Building 1300 (Fine Arts) Addition/Remodel

David Froehlich, Interim Director of Facilities, presented the Change Order No. 01 to DL Falk Construction Contract for Building 1300 (Fine Arts) Addition/Remodel. This change order includes three proposed change orders, two of which are for no-cost contract language modifications, and a third for a small conduit installation addition needed in the building amounting to \$685.

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Honeychurch to adopt the Change Order No. 01 to DL Falk Construction Contract for Building 1300 (Fine Arts) Addition/Remodel, as presented, in the amount of \$685. The motion carried unanimously.

(h) Award of Contract for Vallejo Center Parking Lot Expansion

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the Award of Contract for Vallejo Center Parking Lot Expansion. Dr. Laguerre reported that shortly after the Vallejo Center opened that we ran out of parking. It is timely that Measure G Funds that are dwindling be used in the amount of \$1,106,500 to fund this project.

Moved by Trustee McCaffrey and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the Award of Contract for Vallejo Center Parking Lot Expansion as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

(i) Approval to Bid Fairfield Campus Video Surveillance (Camera) Project

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the Approval to Bid Fairfield Campus Video Surveillance (Camera) Project. Dr. Laguerre reported that crime has increased on campus with property being stolen from all around us. This surveillance equipment is needed to provide better security and safety for our students, faculty, and staff.

Moved by Trustee Chapman and seconded by Trustee Young to adopt the Approval to Bid Fairfield Campus Video Surveillance (Camera) Project, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Academic and Student Affairs

12. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS – ACTION MAY BE TAKEN

(a) Storage Area Network (SAN)/Virtual Desktop (VDI) Measure G Bond Project

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, presented the new Storage Area Network (SAN) device and servers to provide a Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) Pilot Project. The SAN is needed to increase available storage space because the current SAN which is at end of life. The VDI project will explore using this technology to reduce desktop costs and increase flexibility in student labs. The project total amounts to \$297,734 and is proposed to be funded through Measure G Funds. The Shared Governance Council and FaBPAC have reviewed this request and wholeheartedly support it.

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey to approve the Storage Area Network (SAN)/Virtual Desktop (VDI) Measure G Bond Project as presented in the amount of \$297,734 to be funded through Measure G Bond funds. The motion carried unanimously.

13. INFORMATION ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED

(a) Sabbatical Leave Report for the Academic Year 2010-2011

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, introduced Ms. Mary Gumlia, who reported on her sabbatical leave during fall 2010 entitled, “*Research and Development of Retention Tolls and Strategies for Distance Education Students at Solano Community College.*”

Professor Gumlia stated the purpose of her sabbatical was to research and develop retention and persistence tools and strategies for distance education students at Solano Community College; specifically, pre-enrollment preparation tools to better prepare students for distance education courses, and an orientation course for students enrolled in distance education courses.

Professor Gumlia identified the benefit of her work for students, specifically, providing them with a proactive approach to decision making; the student preparation tools to help and teach them to make informed decisions about when online classes are the right choice for them before they enroll. Her work provides students with practical tools (readiness self-assessment, learning styles inventory, orientation) and the opportunity to persist and success in distance education

courses. Her work condenses and simplifies the process by which students obtain information into one step-by-step process and one online location; therefore, making it more easy for students to access information on how to determine their readiness for online courses and how to succeed in online courses, how to register, where to learn about technical requirements, etc.

The benefit to the College and District is that the Distance Education program is strengthened; the orientation and student preparation tools and strategies provide a uniform approach for working with online students and helping them persist and succeed in online courses. These tools teach students how to be more self-sufficient and how to take responsibility in order to be better prepared for distance education courses.

Professor Gumlia stated this work will help her provide better counseling services by giving her an organized, one stop, step-by-step process to use when counseling distance education students and facilitating their success in online courses. A video was developed for student feedback and comments about distance education learning, and practice courses for students considering online classes.

There was applause from those present in the audience.

Board President Thurston thanked Professor for a well received sabbatical leave presentation.

(b) Measure G Bond Project and Funding Update

Mr. David Froehlich, Interim Director of Facilities, together with Mr. Lester Young, Kitchell CEM, gave a Measure G Bond project and funding update. Previously distributed to the Board was the 2011-2012 Second Quarter “Blue Book” Measure G Bond Update, together with handouts at the meeting that included the following information:

- Measure G Project completions
- Status of Measure G Projects in progress
- Projects remaining/planned as part of remaining Measure G work
- Current Measure G Funding Situation
- Project “closeouts/certifications” status

Trustee Ritch inquired about the Building 1200 final project plan, indicating it appeared some design work was submitted for renovation of the building. Mr. Froehlich responded that there were \$12M in health and safety issues. The state agreed to fund when it passes a state-wide bond.

Trustee Honeychurch inquired about the availability of the plans for the Building 600 remodel. Mr. Froehlich responded that the conceptual plans have turned into design drawings and it will take a few months before they are available for review. Our schedule calls for the end of summer or early fall for DSA. A revised timetable indicates another year before completion.

(c) CCFS-311Q Financial Report, Third Quarter FY 2011-2012

AB 2910, Chapter 1486, Statutes of 1986 requires California community college districts to report quarterly on its financial condition. The CCFS-311Q quarterly financial report for the third quarter of FY 2011-12 was reviewed by the Governing Board.

In response to a question from Trustee Ritch, Vice President Ligioso responded by stating that the revenues and expenses stated in the report were on target with the College's projections for that time period. Trustee Ritch requested that future staff reports transmitting CCFS Financial Reports also contain information on whether the quarterly expense and revenue reports are on target with the College's projections.

#### 14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student Trustee Salazar thanked the Board members that were able to attend the successful student Cinco de Mayo celebration held May 5. The students are looking forward to continuing the tradition. Congressman John Garamendi attended and was pleased with the turn out from faculty, staff, and students.

#### 14. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Keith stated when she was 18 years old that she enrolled at Vallejo Junior College, and one of her classes was a Counseling/Psychology class with Bob Algood, whom she later supported as a candidate for the SCC Governing Board. Mr. Algood supported and mentored Trustee Keith. She sadly reported that he died this morning, after a very long, rich, and wonderful life. ***Trustee Keith dedicated the SCCD Governing Board meeting of May 16, 2012, to Mr. Bob Algood in his memory.*** Board President Thurston concurred that he was a good friend to the College and students.

Trustee Young, in the interest of time, stated she would give to Ms. Judy Spencer the list of College and community events that she attended and asked that they be included in the minutes.

Trustee Young attended the following College and community events:

#### April 2012

- 05** – “Hoodie March” sponsored by SCC’s Ethnic Studies Program.
- 22** – WASC Community Forum at Peoples High School in Vallejo.
- 23** – Vallejo Interagency Committee meeting that was held in the Vallejo City Manager’s Office.
- 25** – Vallejo African-American Women’s Legacy Award Ceremony, which was held in the lobby of Vallejo Kaiser Hospital. This ceremony was sponsored by the Vallejo Black Chamber of Commerce.
- 26** – Solano EDC’s Breakfast at the Hilton Garden Inn in Fairfield. The guest speaker was Robert Eyler, Professor of Economics at Sonoma State University.
- 27** – Vallejo Center Expansion Advisory Committee meeting, which was held at the Vallejo Center.
- 30** – Solano County Office of Education business dinner meeting.

May 2012

- 01** – African-American Family Reunion Juneteenth Planning Committee meeting. Solano College will have an information both at the June 16<sup>th</sup> event in Vallejo.
- 02** – SCCD Retirees Luncheon, which was held at the Community Center in Vacaville.
- 04** – SCC Annual Dance Production held in the SCC Campus Theatre. This year's theme was "Destination Dance."
- 05** – Cinco de Mayo event at Solano College, which was hosted by PUENTE and other student groups.
- 07** – Vallejo City Unified School District Willie B. Adkins Scholars Spring Conference, which was hosted by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa Beta Omega Chapter. This event was held at the Student Union Building at Jesse Bethel High School in Vallejo.
- 08** – Building Effective Youth (BEY) Development Center Partner Invitation Presentation, which was held in Vallejo at Michael's Transportation Center.
- 08** – Vallejo Juneteenth Planning Committee meeting.
- 11 – 13** – Trustee Young's 50<sup>th</sup> College Class Reunion Celebration, which was held at Virginia State University in Petersburg, Virginia.

Trustee Chapman reported on the Redevelopment Oversight Commission activities taking place in the city of Winters.

Board President Thurston, also in the interest of time, stated she would give to Ms. Judy Spencer the list of College and community events that she attended and asked that they be included in the minutes.

Board President Thurston attended the following College and community events:

January 2012

- 25** – Solano Economic Development Committee installation luncheon where former Contra Costa County Board of Supervisor member, the Honorable Sunne McPeak, was the keynote speaker.
- 28** – Community College League of California Governing Board Chair workshop in Sacramento.

February 2012

- 04** – Chinese New Year Celebration at the Vacaville Events Center.
- 10** – League of Women Voters Benicia Meet Your Elected Officials reception at Shiroco's and Piccolo in Benicia.
- 18** – Delta Crab Feed at Vacaville Events Center.
- 19** – Benefit dinner and the play "Ain't Mishehavin'" at Solano College, where former Professor Milton Combs was honored for his many years of service and dedication to Solano College and our students.
- 25** – *A Night for Haiti*, presented by WEI and Solano College Students' School Project.
- 27** – Wall to Wall Academies at Vallejo High School.

March 2012

- 03** – Campaign kickoff for Errin Hannigan, who is running for the Area 1 Board of Supervisors.
- 03** – Solano County Democratic Central Committee Crab Feed.
- 23** – Solano County Library Foundation Women’s History Project Luncheon in Suisun.
- 29** – Meet your Leaders at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, sponsored by Leadership Vallejo.

April 2012

- 13** – Suisun Redevelopment Agency Oversight meeting.
- 22** – People’s High School Accreditation Visiting Team.
- 23** – Interagency meeting with city of Vallejo.
- 27** – Vallejo Expansion meeting at Vallejo Center.
- 28** – Solano County Chapter of the Links Luncheon in Fairfield, “Celebrating the Women in Our Lives.”
- 30** – Solano County Office of Education business dinner.

May 2012

- 02** – Met with Napa College President, their CFO, and Governing Board President, together with Dr. Jowel Laguerre and Vice President Ligioso, to explore ways we might partner in both administration and instruction. Board President Thurston will be looking forward to future meetings and reports back from instruction on ways we might partner in course offerings. Toured their newly renovated administration building and board room.
- 03** – Met with the Suisun Redevelopment Oversight Committee.
- 04** – Attended Annual Dance Performance given by Professor Pryor’s talented students.
- 05** – Cinco de Mayo celebration on the Fairfield campus. The students did an excellent job in organizing this event.
- 06** – Served as one of the co-hostesses for a Tea for Linda Seifert, candidate for re-election as Supervisor of District 2.
- 08** – Juneteenth planning committee meeting.
- 09** – 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Tourism Luncheon and Board of Directors Installation at a new restaurant in Vallejo, the Vallejo Power Company Bar and Grill.
- 10** – Vallejo Education and Business Alliance for the Academic Subcommittee.
- 11** – Solano County Office of Education Redevelopment Oversight Board Training for all representatives to Solano County cities.

Board President Thurston recessed the Board meeting at 9:20 p.m.

16. CLOSED SESSION

Board President Thurston called the Closed Session to order at 9:25 p.m.

- (a) Conference with Labor Negotiator  
Agency Negotiator: Jowel C. Laguerre, Ph.D.  
Employee Organization:

(b) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

17. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board President Thurston reconvened the board meeting at 9:40 p.m.

18. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President Thurston reported that the Board held Conference with Labor Negotiator and CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39 in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

Board President Thurston reported that the Board discussed Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

19. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

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ROSEMARY THURSTON		JOWEL C. LAGUERRE, Ph.D.
BOARD PRESIDENT		SECRETARY

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